

Fire Destroys Grayling Funeral Home

Fire that evidently started from an over-heated furnace ruined the building housing the Grayling Funeral Home Friday forenoon. It is estimated the loss amounted to about \$2,000, however both building and contents were covered by insurance. Heirs of the Rasmus Rasmussen Estate owned the building.

Smoke was noticed coming from the basement windows by people residing in the vicinity of the Funeral Home and an alarm quickly sounded. The fire starting in the basement where caskets and other supplies were stored, seemed to have spread rapidly throughout the ground floor, and crept in between the partitions and had such a start that the building was badly gutted. Mr. Butler, manager, was in Roscommon at the time making arrangements for the funeral of John Hyslop, whose remains were lying in the Funeral Home parlors. However, they were removed very nicely and placed in an awaiting ambulance.

Grayling Funeral Home is now located in the George A. Collens home.

Kiwanis Gives \$50 Toward Band Suits

The Kiwanians enjoyed the customary Christmas festivities at their meeting Wednesday at Shoppenagons Inn. A nicely illuminated Christmas tree was loaded with toys and there was one for each member. After enjoying them, blowing all the horns, bouncing the balls and squeezing the dolls, they were deposited for delivery to our school nurse who passed them on to the children.

PRES.-ELECT APPOINTS COMMITTEES

President-Elect Charles E. Moore, of the Kiwanis club has announced the chairmen for the following standing committees:

Agriculture and business standards—Amos Hunter.
Attendance, classification and membership—Roy O. Milnes.
Boys and Girls Work—Holger F. Peterson.
Finance—Board of Directors.
House—Roy Trudgeon.
Interclub relations—Dr. C. G. Clippert.

Kiwanis education—Rev. H. W. Kuhlman.

Laws and regulations—Dr. C. R. Keyport.

Music—Dr. C. G. Clippert.

Program, public affairs, publicity and reception—O. P. Schumann.

Under privileged children—Charles Melichar.

Vocational guidance—Willard Cornell.

The newly elected officers—Chas. E. Moore, president; Farnham Matson, vice president, and Roy Trudgeon, secretary, and the above committeemen will assume their official duties January 1st.

Among the activities planned for the next year is the sponsorship by the Kiwanis club of a movement to provide uniforms for the school band. The sum of \$50.00 was voted as a starter, and it is hoped that other organizations will follow suit.

Charity Ball New Years Eve

ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW YEAR'S BALL PROCEEDING WITH ALACRITY

All committees are functioning to make the New Year's Ball for the benefit of Mercy Hospital a very lovely affair.

The decorations will be unusual, the music superb and the floor in fine condition. The Masonic Hall is a beautiful place to hold the party and your friends will be there, so buy your tickets early.

The tickets are on sale at Dawson's and Mac & Gidley's drug store.

Womans Club

The Womans Club met at the home of Mrs. Esbern Olson Monday night for their Christmas meeting. The meeting was in charge of the Drama Committee who presented "Mrs. Santa Claus" for the Club's entertainment. This was a one-act play read by various members of the Club.

At this meeting the Club packed a large box of clothing to be sent to the Michigan Children's Aid in Detroit. This society has cared for some Crawford County children in the past besides the hundreds of other children and is a very worthy organization.

We think everyone has noticed and admired Grayling's city streets with their new holiday dress. The Club appreciates the efforts of the Council and the Merchants of Grayling in co-operating together to make Grayling one of the best decorated towns in the north.

Thru the generosity of Mr. W. McClanahan, a tree was planted in the courthouse yard under the direction of Mr. Norris of the McClanahan lodge. This will be a permanent Christmas tree, the year around. It was thought advisable not to decorate the tree this year until it had a chance to get a little better start in its new surroundings. However, Mr. Burke and the council were on the job again and a beautiful tree now stands in the city streets. Let us all show our appreciation and our enthusiasm for a better town and allow the decorations to go unmolested this year.



Peace On Earth

I heard the bells on Christmas day.
Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom,
Had rolled along the unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bowed my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said,



"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;
"God is not dead; nor doth he sleep;
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men."

Till, ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good will to men!

School Tots Have Christmas Party

We doubt if there was ever a more happy gathering of youngsters than those taking part in "Santa's Christmas Eve" at the school gym Tuesday evening. It was under direction of Miss Tapio, Miss LaFave and Miss Anderson of the kindergarten, 1st and second grades.

Led by a choir of kiddies dressed in conventional red and white surplice and cassock, there followed groups of gnomes, dwarfs, Christmas characters, and others, who presented a most charming program of Yuletide songs and drills. It was all very fine and sometimes very amusing and the large crowd of parents and patrons had an hour of real enjoyable entertainment.

These teachers deserve much credit for the way they handled so large a group of kiddies so admirably, and for the splendid training they accomplished.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL PROGRAM AT MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Noel celebrations, for this community, old and young, began Sunday evening with a beautiful candlelight musical program at Michelson Memorial church under the direction of Mrs. C. G. Clippert, Mrs. Emil Giegling directing the Junior choir from the balcony of the auditorium.

This impressive musical service is presented annually and the people from here as well as from surrounding towns look forward to it with keen enthusiasm.

The processional, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" by the Senior and Junior choir and again the recessional "Silent Night" open and close a program of which any church may well be proud. The christian spirit of the Christ Child falls upon the audience throughout the rendition and leaves it in a receptive mood.

Grayling Civic orchestra of some 20 pieces, which is a new musical feature of the community, played several fine numbers as well as accompanied the choir with some selections.

This very fine musical program, given on the first day of the Yuletide week, was conducive of a spirit of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

The program follows:

Processional.

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"—Junior and Senior Choir, Orchestra.

"Joy to the World"—Congregation.

"Beyond the Starry Skies" (Ira B. Wilson)—Junior and Senior Choir. Duet: Older Junior Choir.

"Come, Savior Come" (Petrie)—Mrs. Milnes and Mrs. Jarmin.

"Christmas Chimes" (Lake)—Orchestra.

"Lullaby Hymn" (Holton)—Ladies Choir. Solo and obligato, Mrs. Jarmin.

"The Christmas Song" (Adam)—Senior Choir. Obligato, Mrs. Milnes. Violin obligato, Betty Parsons.

"Mary Slumber Song" (Lorenz)—Younger Junior Choir. Solo and obligato, Barbara Borchers.

Offering.

"Yuletide Echoes" (Saunders)—Orchestra.

"Lead Me" (Petrie)—Senior Choir.

"Christmas Hymn"—Violin Ensemble.

"And There Were Shepherds"—Junior and Senior Choir. Solo, Nelle Welsh. Duet, Natalie Peterson and Nelle Welsh.

Recessional.

"Silent Night"—Junior and Senior Choir, Orchestra.

Annual Community Christmas Tree For Children of Crawford and Roscommon Counties Friday Afternoon, Dec. 23.

(Sponsored by Grayling business interests.)

M. S. C. Students To Come By Snow Bus

The Outing Club of Michigan State College is including in its plans for the winter, a snow-bus trip to Grayling. To quote from the Michigan State News of East Lansing, December 15th:

"Skiing and tobogganing will high-light the second official program. A special snow bus will go to Grayling January 22nd for these sports. If more than 300 students sign for the trip, a snow train will be substituted for the bus."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM TONIGHT

"Prayer to the World" (89)—Choir.

"Christmas Greeting—Sue Giegling.

"Christ Is Born"—Primary Department.

"The Shepherds"—2nd Grade Boys.

Song "Wind Thru The Olive Trees"—Boys' Choir.

Recitation "The Gift"—Maxine Clise.

"The Star of Christmas"—3rd Grade Girls.

"Little Ones Are We"—Beginners.

"On Christmas Eve"—1st grade.

"The Sweetest Song"—2nd Grade Girls.

"Silent Night"—Choir.

Recitation "Pass It Round"—Ward Smith.

"If Gifts Could Sing"—3rd Grade Boys.

"Christmas Lullaby"—Wanda Ruth Doroh.

Recitation "Stars In the Christmas Sky"—Harry Hensley.

Prayer "We Thank Thee Lord"—Fred Smith.

Offering.

"Hark, The Herald Angels Sing"—By All.

Exercises by three Fifth graders.

Recitation "The Lowly Manger"—Beatrice Papendick.

"Song of The Bells"—Sixth Graders.

Exercise—Fourth Graders.

Recitation "Birth of Christ"—Catherine Glover.

"Slumber Song"—Barbara Borchers and Choir.

Exercise "The Christmas Watchfires"—7th Grade Boys.

Song "Merry Christmas Day"—8th Graders.

Recitation "Mystery of Bethlehem"—Cecelia Kraft.

Song "Jolly Old St. Nick"—Ernie Parsons.

Mrs. Funck, Director.

FOUR GRAYLING STUDENTS AT M. S. C.

(By Belva Trickey)

East Lansing, Dec. 19—This year four students from Crawford county are enrolled at Michigan State College. They are participating in many activities this fall term, which ends Dec. 22.

William Joseph and John Peterson, both liberal arts freshmen from Grayling, are sharing the responsibilities of student manager for the basketball team. Besides this, Mr. Peterson is a member of Alpha Phi Omega, the service fraternity, and the Newman Club, which is made up of the Catholic students on campus.



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Harlem Globe Trotters Here Dec. 28

Beginning a New Year policy of introducing the best times available for Grayling sports fans, the Grayling Independents will meet the Harlem Globe Trotters December 28 at the High school gymnasium.

The Globe Trotters have the best colored basketball team in the middle west and are undefeated to date. The game will be a rugged battle for the Independents who are coached this year by "Birdie" Tebbets of the Detroit Tigers. Birdie is seeking permission to play from Tigers officials.

The Globe Trotters playing the Independents before a record crowd won handily last year.

The ease with which they fooled the opposition and the color they injected with their skill made a lasting impression on the spectators.

The Globe Trotters in twelve full years have a lifetime average of 1465 games won, 118 games lost for a percentage of .925. In 1934-'5 they lost two games of 156 played.

Led by Bunny Leavitt the World's free throw record holder and Immon Jackson, considered one of the greatest ball handlers of the game, the Globe Trotters will prove their claims of being the finest team to show in this section.

Johnny Wattle, rated by Dr. Maxwell U. of Wisconsin coach, as one of the finest performers ever to play, is the big man of the colored team. In the games to

date he has an average of 16 points.

Hailed by experts the country over in the class of colored units, both in skill and entertainment, the fans of Grayling and vicinity are promised the best exhibition that money can buy.

ELECTRIC RATE COMPARISON

Recently we published a table showing comparative residential rates between Michigan Public Service Co. and those maintained by the Consumers Power Co. Following is a table of the commercial rates maintained by these same utilities companies:

For 1,000 KWH.—Per month.	
Consumers Power Co.	
5c per kwh for 1st 250 kwh.	\$12.50
4c per kwh for next 500 kwh.	20.00
3c per kwh for 250 kwh.	7.50
Total for 1,000 kwh.	\$40.00
Michigan Public Service Co.	
8c per kwh for 1st 60 kwh.	\$4.80
5c per kwh for next 120 kwh.	6.00
3c per kwh for next 820 kwh.	24.60
Total for 1,000 kwh.	\$35.40

Accordingly the commercial cost of 1,000 kwh is \$4.60 lower for the service by the Michigan Public Service Co. than for the same service by the Consumers Power Co.

The rates for the Michigan Public Service Co. were taken from the rates as published on the back of all their electric bills. The rates for the Consumers Power Co. were provided us by the M.P.S. Co.

According to these figures, commercial service is lower by our local utility Company, but residence rate of the Consumers Power Co. is slightly lower.

MASONS INSTALL OFFICERS HOLD SOCIAL EVENING

Grayling Lodge F. & A. M. held a public installation of its newly elected officers at their meeting last week Saturday evening, which was followed by a social evening.

The new officers are as follows: Worshipful master—Charles E. Moore.

Senior warden—Jesse Sales.

Junior warden—Carlyle Brown.

Senior deacon—J. L. Martin.

Junior deacon—George Gran-ger.

Secretary—Frank Sales.

Treasurer—Geo. N. Olson.

Tyler—Farnham Matson.

Marshal—Clayton Straehly.

Stewards—Clare Smith and George Hilton.

Clayton Straehly acted in the capacity of grand marshal and conducted the installation ceremonies.

Had Social Evening

The evening was spent in dancing and card playing, and it was a happy and gay crowd that was present. Everyone had a good time. The dance floor is probably the finest in this community and cannot be excelled anywhere.

During the evening hot coffee and sandwiches were served by the ladies of the Eastern Star. It is planned to hold these social affairs frequently. They are open to the general public.

Notice

I will be at the town hall for the purpose of collecting Township Taxes on Tuesdays and Saturdays, beginning December 10. CLARE MADSEN, Township Treasurer.

IN NEW LOCATION . . .

Grayling Funeral Home now located in the George A. Collen home, on Spruce street, just off Michigan Avenue.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1938

CHRISTMAS isn't just a festive occasion, a time of the year when we celebrate with feasts and the exchange of presents, a time for lavish spending. It is of too much importance to hold it so lightly. It is the anniversary of the birth of a Savior, a Savior with glad tidings of peace on earth and good will toward men. Of course, let there be rejoicing, but let's not forget the blessings that have come to us thru Christianity—Christianity that began with the birth of Christ. While we are enjoying the festivities of Christmas, let's pause long enough to reflect upon the teachings of Christ, and to rededicate our lives in the service of Christianity.

NEW CONGRESSMAN SHOWS FINE SPIRIT

When Fred Bradley of the 11th congressional district was the victor in the primary election over Joe Sturgeon, (Republican candidate) he appointed Sturgeon campaign manager for the election campaign. Bradley was elected and now he has appoint-

ed Sturgeon his secretary. Fred Bradley hails from Rogers City and is interested in the Calcutta works. Joe Sturgeon is the editor and publisher of the Gladstone Reporter. Both are the highest type of men and thruout a hard fought primary campaign, each retained his respect for the other.

With two such capable men as Bradley and Sturgeon in Washington, the eleventh district of Michigan is going to be very ably represented.

APPRECIATION

I wish to acknowledge with sincere thanks the many kindnesses of my Grayling friends during the time I was a patient at Grayling Mercy Hospital. I wish them well and trust that they may have a very Merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

Walter Nadeau,
Pinconning, Mich.

Season's Greetings

Spoken or written, there is no more cheering greeting than the age-old Holiday Salutation—"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year".

It's a greeting of friendliness that warms the heart and brings friends closer to each other—no matter how far distant they may be.

It's the thoughtful expression of regard that one man has for another—the salutation of understanding and in all lands the manifestation of kindness among friends and kindred.

It's the greeting that interprets for us the true meaning of Christmas and the New Year—the entire Holiday Season.

So, as the Holidays approach again, we want to tell you that we appreciate your confidence—your cooperation—your evident good will, which we hope we may continue to enjoy.

And it is our sincere and hearty wish that yours will be a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



We thank you for the confidence you have placed in us in the past and extend to you our good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year.

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The Bill of Rights

The 10 Original Amendments to the Constitution
In Force Dec. 15, 1791.

ARTICLE I.

Religious Establishment Prohibited. Freedom of Speech, of the Press, and Right to Freedom.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

ARTICLE II.

Right to Keep and Bear Arms.

A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

ARTICLE III.

No Soldier to Be Quartered in Any House, Unless, etc.

No soldier shall, in time of peace, be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

ARTICLE IV.

Right of Search and Seizure Regulated

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

ARTICLE V.

Provisions Concerning Prosecution, Trial and Punishment—Private Property Not to Be Taken for Public Use Without Compensation.

No person shall be held for a capital or other infamous crime unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service, in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.

ARTICLE VI.

Right to Speedy Trial, Witnesses, etc.

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the state and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

ARTICLE VII.

Right of Trial by Jury

In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed \$20, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury shall be otherwise re-examined in any court of the United States than according to the rules of the common law.

ARTICLE VIII.

Excessive Bail or Fines and Cruel Punishment Prohibited.

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

ARTICLE IX.

Rule of Construction of Constitution.

The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

ARTICLE X.

Rights of States Under Constitution.

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.

Winter Arrives—Officially



Though snow has long since fallen in the northern United States, old man winter makes its official debut on December 22, staying with us until the vernal equinox on March 21. To celebrate the occasion, Eugene Barton executes a skillful Christiana atop Old Baldy in Lassen Volcanic national park, California.

Personals

Mrs. Matilda Bishop of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Foley over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Erkes are planning on visiting the latter's parents at Spring Lake, over Christmas.

Miss Norma Luder, of Ypsilanti, spent a few days this week visiting at the home of Rev. Kuhlman.

Elmer Penton is home from C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, spending the holiday vacation visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlyn Connin and sons, of Adrian, are expected to come Friday to visit Mrs. Connin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Larson, over Christmas.

Miss Virginia and Kermit Charron, both students at C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron during the holidays.

Mrs. Joseph N. Failing and daughter Miss Francella, who were guests of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Ellen Failing, have returned to their home in Tacoma, Wash.

Emil Kraus Jr. is home from U. of M., Ann Arbor, for the holiday vacation and Miss Virginia, a student at U. of D., Detroit, is also at home for over the holidays.

Miss Elaine McDonnell is visiting her parents, Postmaster and Mrs. James McDonnell, home from her studies at C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, for the holiday vacation.

Miss Dorothea Morris is home from Muskegon where she is attending a school of beauty culture, to spend the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Morris.

Mrs. Arthur Clark and son Terry, of Saginaw, are guests at the A. J. Clark home expecting to remain until after Christmas. Mr. Clark will join them the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Olson have as yuletide guests, the latter's brother Percy Failing, wife and daughter Ellen of Freeport, Ill. They arrived Tuesday and will be here until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jones and children of Lansing have arrived here and are spending the holidays visiting Mrs. Jones' father, Carl Sorenson. They are guests of her sister, Mrs. Wm. LaGrow and family.

Miss Laura Johnson has arrived in Grayling, from Milwaukee, where she is attending school, to spend the holidays visiting friends. She is a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Emil Giegling.

Miss Beatrice Perreault left for her home in Muskegon to remain indefinitely. Miss Perreault has been assisting in the office at the Grayling Mercy Hospital for some time, and made many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ward (Faye Wells), of Detroit, spent the week end visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wells. Perry Wells accompanied them back Sunday to remain until after the holidays.



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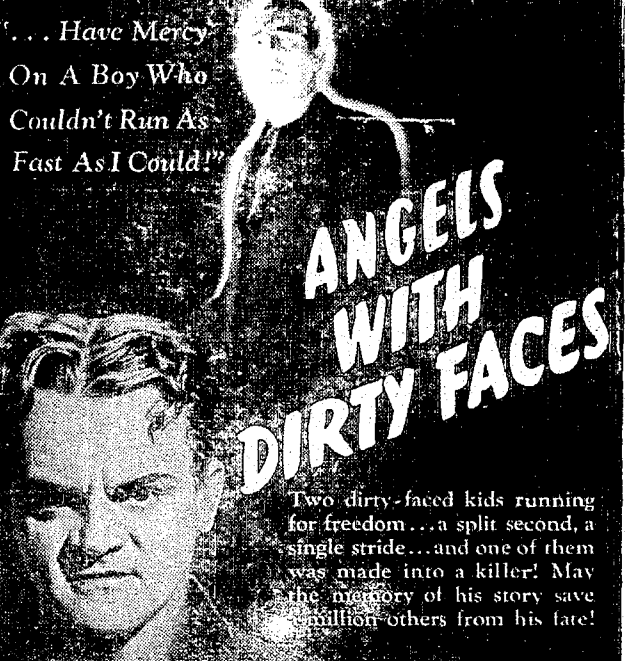
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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Dec. 27, 28 and 29

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the firemen for being so careful not to destroy things when our home was threatened by fire Saturday night. They did a good job at extinguishing the flames without any destruction of property.

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Clise.

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FOR SALE—One Child's brown fur coat and cap, size 10 years; also 1 pair boys Skates, size 5. Inquire of Mrs. S. D. Dunham.

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SEASON'S
GREETINGS

To each customer we'd like to give our Christmas greetings in person—but since we can't we do our best in this way.

Olson's Shoe Store



Another year—another Christmas. May it be your brightest and happiest.

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Gratefully acknowledging your many favors of the past year, please accept best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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In the universal spirit of friendliness at this glad season, we extend our wishes for a delightfully happy holiday.

SALE'S
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Season's Greetings to All 1938

To you, and you and YOU—our friends, neighbors and customers! We gladly join with others whose privilege it has been to serve you, in sending our heartiest greetings!

EMIL NIEDERER

Interesting Events In
Grayling 23 Years AgoINTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 23, 1915

In honor of D. W. Donohue, trainmaster of the Mackinaw division of the M. C. R. R., the local industrial firms gave a six o'clock dinner at the rooms of the Grayling Social club Tuesday evening. Twenty-eight men sat down at a long table, beautiful with white linen and silver, set with two vases of carnations. Mr. Donohue was presented with a beautiful pin studded with a fine large diamond with six pearls mounted in platinum. He will be placed in charge of the M. C. R. R. running between Detroit and Jackson and Detroit and Bay City, as superintendent.

The much advertised entertainment for the benefit of Grayling's new City Park, was very much of a success and also netted the management a neat sum. The entertainment was, as usual, home talent, and there was everything from the sublime to the ridiculous.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCullough will arrive in the city Friday to spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McCullough.

Miss Johanna Hendrickson is assisting in the postoffice during the holiday rush.

Mrs. Cameron Game and daughter Joyce, left Monday for Marion, to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Eva Cariveau arrived from Bay City Thursday to spend Christmas at her home. Edward Cariveau, is also home from Flint to spend the holidays.

Miss Elvira Rasmusson expects to leave this afternoon for Detroit for a two week's visit with her sisters Mrs. Roy Newton and Miss Edna Rasmusson, who reside in that city.

Miss Flora Borchers entertained the Grayling Thursday club Thursday evening. The members were industriously employed with sewing and crocheting.

Earl Dawson has taken the pool and billiard tables from out of the back room at the restaurant and will install dining tables for ladies.

Walter Williams returned home last Saturday afternoon after a week spent in Ann Arbor and Detroit.

Mrs. James Cameron of this city had the misfortune to slip on the icy walk and injure her hip quite severely Tuesday while calling on Frederic friends.

Miss Bernadette Cassidy and Miss Elsie Jorgenson, who are attending Ferris Institute, are expected to arrive home Friday afternoon to spend Christmas.

Ambrose Meistrup moved his family to Bay City Saturday. Mr. Meistrup has entered the employ of the Neil & Bigelow Lumber Company.

Alfred Jorgenson left Sunday for Jackson to assist Nemesis Neilsen on a painting job.

Those attending the various colleges and educational institu-

tions are expected to spend the holidays at their several homes. The following have already arrived: Miss Helen Bauman from Lasell Seminary, Auburn, Mass.; Robert Roblin from M. A. C., Lansing; Stanley Insley from Notre Dame, Ind.; Louie Joseph and Harry Connine from U. of M., Ann Arbor.

The local schools closed Wednesday for the holiday vacation, and the pupils were instructed to return January 10th and report at the new school building. It is with extreme pleasure that the teachers and pupils received this notice.

Mrs. John Johnson left Monday for Clarissa, Minn., to visit her son, C. P. Johnson.

Miss Laura Simpson arrived from Larium, Mich., Upper Peninsula, the latter part of the week to spend the holidays at her home here. Miss Simpson teaches school at Larium.

The Junior Aid was pleasantly entertained Saturday evening by Miss Mildred Corwin. After the business transaction the girls engaged in a nut guessing contest, in which Mrs. J. H. Wingard won.

DeVere Burgess has a fine new electric sign erected on the outside of his billiard parlors.

Fred Martin left for his home in Grand Rapids the forepart of the week to spend the holidays.

Miss Vera Shier is a guest of her sister, Miss Ula Shier, enroute from Ypsilanti Normal to her home in Wolverine. Miss Ula will accompany her home.

A charity card party was given at the rooms of the Grayling Social club by the ladies of the Goodfellowship club, Saturday night. It was a very pleasant affair and well attended. Mrs. Robert Reagan and Mr. Wm. Raab held high score for five hundred. After the games light refreshments were served.

Lovells
(23 Years Ago)

Announcements have been received of the wedding of Harriet May Bills and Claude Burton Smith which took place at the home of the bride, Wednesday, December 15, Rev. Kenny of Roscommon officiating. They will be at home in Roscommon.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent by the members of the Sewing club at the home of Mrs. E. McCormick Thursday. Fifteen ladies were present, and after a dainty lunch was served, the hostess was presented with a very pretty towel as a souvenir.

E. H. Parker went to Grayling Monday to join the Moose Lodge.

Frederic School Notes
(23 Years Ago)

Marie Brown is back to school after a week of illness.

Eldon Pratt is a new pupil in the third grade.

Owen Cameron visited school Tuesday.

Pupils and teachers are very busy with the Christmas entertainment to be held at the Opera House.

To Make A Long Tale
ShortGeo. Burke
Motor Sales
(Authorized Ford Dealer)
Phone 40

We wish to thank you for your patronage during the past year and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Blue Sunoco
Station
B. J. Callahan

Drew Amerlos's First Map Among discoveries of American tourists to Poland is the fact that 20 years after Columbus came to America, it was a Pole, Jan of Zakliczyn, who drew the first map of America.

A Merry Christmas to You All



I SAW THREE SHIPS COME SAILING IN ON CHRISTMAS DAY IN THE MORNING.. 1938

Greetings

And from our hearts we wish you A MERRY CHRISTMAS And good will in everything you do.

We also take this opportunity in expressing our gratitude for your patronage in the past year

Tri-County Telephone Co.
with
Postal Telegraph

We wish you every joy and pleasure this holiday season—and happiness in the days to come.

Drs. Keyport
& Clippert

May this glorious holiday season usher in a year overflowing with all kinds of joys and pleasant surprises.

Gamble Store
Agency
E. Burns, Proprietor

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in the said County, on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1938.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Frank E. Love, deceased.

It appearing to the court that the time for presentation of claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at said probate office on or before the 17th day of April, A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.
A true copy.
Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.



It is our wish that you may have a very Merry Christmas and happiness and prosperity in the coming New Year.

J. E. SCHOONOVER



Christmas would be incomplete unless we expressed our deep appreciation for your patronage, and wished you and yours every Christmas joy.

Olaf Sorenson & Son



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Proprietor

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Mrs. T. Cassidy

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The Rexall Store

Grayling

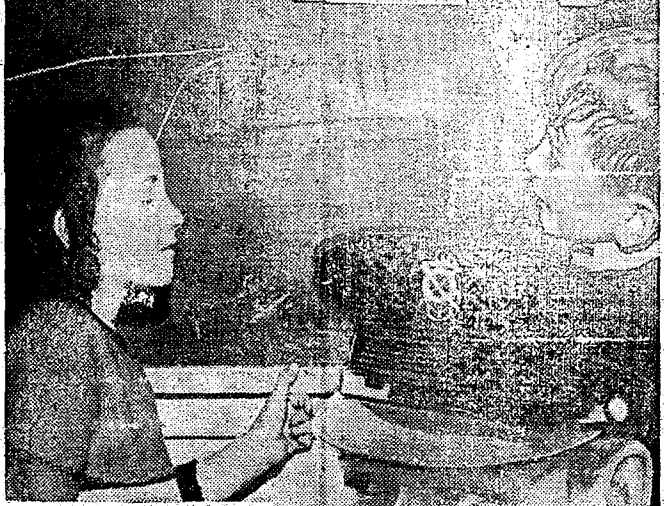
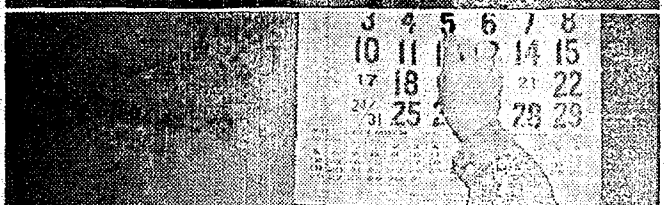
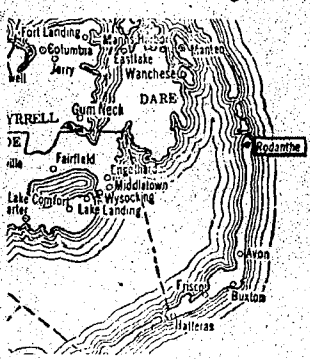
Michigan



The Crawford Avalanche

Lonely North Carolina Town Marks Christmas January 5

RODANTHE, N. C., easternmost town in America, celebrates Christmas twice each year. "New" Christmas comes December 25 but just as regularly on January 5 the inhabitants of this isolated town observe "Old" Christmas, a carry-over from the days before our current calendar was generally accepted. Christmas trees must be imported, for Rodanthe has only one tree (see below), a gnarled oak. But the kids enjoy this plan, because Santa Claus visits them twice. Their parents, fishermen and coastguardsmen on an island that is little more than a shifting sand dune, participate enthusiastically in both celebrations. But around Old Christmas centers most of the tradition.

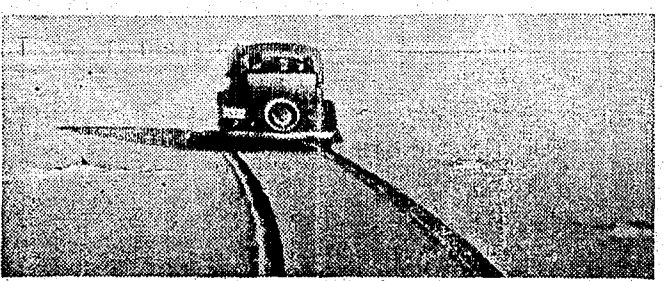


Boatswain's Mate P. A. Tillet, biggest man in the coast guard service, is Santa Claus for Rodanthe's Old Christmas party. They had to send to the mainland to get red cloth spacious enough for his suit. Each Old Christmas celebration is held in the school building where the only "furriner" is the school teacher.

To the present teacher, a girl from Virginia, Old Christmas is the world's most puzzling custom. But seasoned residents of Hatteras island don't look at it that way. To them, Old Christmas is no more unusual than the Fourth of July. On their isolated island the event has been celebrated by generation after generation, and will probably continue for generations to come.



Rodanthe children believe in "Old Buck," an ogre with hoofs and horns who comes at Old Christmas to punish the naughty boys and girls, just as St. Nicholas rewards the good youngsters. None of the islanders remember how "Old Buck" originated, but he's definitely a part of the celebration.



Old Christmas on Hatteras island, where autos must travel the beach.

POTATO DEALERS—WARNING

Revocation of potato dealer's license is the next step in the program of the Department of Agriculture to enforce its grading program, according to Commissioner John B. Strange. Second offenders caught in co-operative net spread by Michigan State Police and Department of Agriculture are being asked to appear at the Lansing office to show cause why their licenses should not be revoked, according to the department head.

The action follows announcement made two weeks ago by the department of the co-operation of state police, at which time deal-

ers were warned that second violation of the law would result in drastic action. In those instances where the same dealer has been caught in second violation, revocation of license has been adopted by the department rather than prosecution.

"This type of action," said Strange, "may seem too drastic because revocation of license means that the dealer will be forced to discontinue his business but we feel that this is necessary to protect the industry. It has been our experience that one misgraded lot of potatoes will overcome the benefits of 100 properly graded lots. Considering that the grading system is over a year old, we feel that it is time to eliminate those dealers guilty of continued violations of the law."

United States of America
In The District Court Of The
United States For The Eastern
District of Michigan
Northern Division
United States of America,)
Petitioner, vs.) Law
160 acres of land in) No.
Crawford County, Mich-) 1176
igan, Andrew Hart, et)
al., Defendants.
Order of Publication

At a session of said Court held in the District Courtroom of the Federal Building in the City of Bay City, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1938.

Present: Honorable Arthur J. Tuttle, United States District Judge.

On this date, it appearing to the Court from examination of the files and records in the above entitled cause, that the following and all other persons not particularly named are made respondents in the Petition filed in this cause, as having or claiming, or appearing to have or claim, some or any interest whatsoever, in the several parcels of land affected by this suit, the following persons, whose residences are known: Axel M. Peterson, guardian of Estate of Nellie Hart, mentally incompetent, Royal Oak, Michigan; Rosa H. Gil, Roscommon, Michigan; Mrs. Bertha Lott, Urbana, Illinois; Mary E. Dean, Neantic, Illinois; Emma Darling, Decatur, Illinois; J. W. Sanders, Decatur, Illinois; Crawford County Treasurer, Grayling, Michigan; the following persons whose addresses are unknown: Charles Denier and Wealthy E. Denier, his wife; Carl A. Schmidt; Charles G. Schmidt, guardian in the estate of August Schmidt (Carl A. Schmidt) Carl Schmidt, a mentally incompetent person; if living, or if deceased, their several heirs, representatives, successors and assigns, known and unknown;

The real estate in this cause is described as follows: Tract No. 173, SE 1/4, Section 16, T 25 N, R 3 W, Crawford County; The above land, situated in Crawford County, State of Michigan, totals 160 acres, and is subject to all and any reservations, and/or exceptions, as set forth in the Petition filed in this Court and cause; It further appearing to the Court that there may be persons, firms and corporations, respondents to this suit, whose names and addresses are not known to your Petitioner;

It further appearing to the Court that some of the aforementioned respondents have been since the commencement of this suit, and are now, absent from the State of Michigan, and cannot be found in said district; It further appearing to this Court that upon diligent search and inquiry it is and will be impossible to find some of the above named respondents to serve them personally in the manner provided by statute, and that they have not, nor have any of them, voluntarily appeared in said cause, on motion of John W. Babcock, Attorney for the Petitioner, it is

Ordered that said respondents, they and each of them, and all other persons whatsoever, having or claiming, or appearing to have or claim, some or any interest in any of the above mentioned land affected by said Petition appear before this Court in its Courtroom aforementioned, on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, and then and there show cause why the prayer of said Petitioner should not be granted.

It is further ordered that service of this Order be made on said respondents by publication of a copy thereof to be made at least six successive weeks, at least once in each week in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper published in Crawford County in said district, the last publication thereof to be made at least six days before the day hereinbefore fixed for the appearance of said respondents.

Arthur J. Tuttle,
United States District Judge.
John C. Lehr,
United States Attorney.
By John W. Babcock,
Assistant U. S. Attorney.

The object of this Petition is to acquire the land described in said petition for the United States of America by judicial procedure, for just compensation to be made, and without the consent of the owners, or to acquire by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, pursuant to the authority contained in Title II of an Act of Congress approved June 16, 1933 (48 Stat. 200) an Act of Congress approved April 8, 1935 (49 Stat. 115) Executive Order No. 6252 dated August 19, 1933, Executive Order No. 6963 dated March 6, 1935, Executive Order No. 7027 dated April 30, 1935, Executive Order No. 7028 dated April 30, 1935, Executive Order No. 7064 dated June 7, 1935, Executive Order No. 7530 dated December 31, 1933, Executive Order No. 7557 dated February 19, 1937, and Public Resolution No. 47—75th Congress (Chapter 401—First Session) approved June 29, 1937.

12-8-6

United States of America
In The District Court Of The
United States For The Eastern
District of Michigan
Northern Division
United States of America,)
Petitioner, vs.) Law
64.60 acres of land in) No.
Crawford County, Mich-) 1174
igan, Ada Scott, et al.,)
Defendants.
Order of Publication

At a session of said Court, held in the District Courtroom of the Federal Building in the City of Bay City, on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1938.

Present: Honorable Arthur J. Tuttle, United States District Judge.

On this date, it appearing to the Court from examination of the files and records in the above entitled cause, that the following and all other persons not particularly named are made respondents in the Petition filed in this cause, as having or claiming, or appearing to have or claim, some or any interest whatsoever, in the several parcels of land affected by this suit; the following persons, whose residences are known: Ada Scott, Roscommon, Michigan; Charles E. Scott, Roscommon, Michigan; Commercial Savings Bank and Company, a Michigan Corporation, Toledo, Ohio; County Treasurer of Crawford County, Grayling, Michigan; the following persons whose addresses are unknown: Charles Denier and Wealthy E. Denier, his wife; Carl A. Schmidt; Charles G. Schmidt, guardian in the estate of August Schmidt (Carl A. Schmidt) Carl Schmidt, a mentally incompetent person; if living, or if deceased, their several heirs, representatives, successors and assigns, known and unknown;

The real estate in this cause is described as follows: Tract No. 310-b; S 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 30, T 25 N, R 1 W; The above described land is situated in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan and totals 64.60 acres more or less, and is subject to all and any reservations and/or exceptions, and/or easements, as set forth in the Petition filed in this Court and cause; It further appearing to the Court that there may be persons, firms and corporations, respondents to this suit, whose names and addresses are not known to your Petitioner;

It further appearing to the Court that some of the aforementioned respondents have been since the commencement of this suit, and are now, absent from the State of Michigan, and cannot be found in said district; It further appearing to this Court that upon diligent search and inquiry it is and will be impossible to find some of the above named respondents to serve them personally in the manner provided by statute, and that they have not, nor have any of them, voluntarily appeared in said cause, on motion of John W. Babcock, Attorney for the Petitioner, it is

Ordered that said respondents, they and each of them, and all other persons whatsoever, having or claiming, or appearing to have or claim, some or any interest in any of the above mentioned land affected by said Petition appear before this Court in its Courtroom aforementioned, on the 20th day of February, A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, and then and there show cause why the prayer of said Petitioner should not be granted.

It is further ordered that service of this Order be made on said respondents by publication of a copy thereof to be made at least six successive weeks, at least once in each week in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper published in Crawford County in said district, the last publication thereof to be made at least six days before the day hereinbefore fixed for the appearance of said respondents.

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NORTH BOUND BUSES

Daily

4:11 a. m.

1:51 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND BUSES

Daily

1:04 p. m.

9:47 p. m.

Ticket Office

Shoppenagons Inn

Phone 55

BLUE GOOSE LINES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said county, on the 12th day of December, A. D. 1938.

Present: Hon. Charles E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of George W. Hanna, deceased.

Augusta Hanna Duby having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Louise McCormick or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 9th day of January A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Charles E. Moore,
Judge of Probate. 12-15-4

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To the stockholders of Kerry & Hanson Flooring Company, a Michigan corporation:

Notice Is Hereby Given, that the directors of the above named corporation have entered into an agreement with the directors of Kerry & Hanson Lumber Company, a Michigan Corporation for the merger of said Corporations into one corporation to be known as Kerry & Hanson Flooring Company and that a Special Meeting of all stockholders of Kerry & Hanson Flooring Company will be held in the office of said corporation in the city of Grayling, Michigan, on the 20th day of December, 1938, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of taking the said action of said directors into consideration and voting thereon for the adoption or rejection of said agreement and also for the purpose of adopting a new set of by-laws for Kerry & Hanson Flooring Company.

This notice is given pursuant to the Michigan General Corporation Act, and in particular Sec. 52 of Act 327 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for 1931.

Dated at Grayling, Michigan this 28th day of November, 1938.

Kerry & Hanson Flooring Co.
By Emil Giegling,
Secretary.

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Roast Turkey with Dressing	\$1.00
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Filet Mignon with Mushrooms	.85
Pan Fried Pork Chops	.85
Lamb Chops with Mint Jelly	.85
Baked Ham with Pineapple Sauce	.85
Waldorf Salad	
Mashed, Steamed, or Candied Sweet Potatoes	
Baked Hubbard Squash	Buttered Asparagus Tips
English Plum Pudding	Hot Mince Pie
Raspberry Pie with Whipped Cream	
Hot Fudge Sundae	Vanilla Ice Cream

LOCALS

THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1938

Max Laage and family are enjoying a brand-new Ford deluxe Fordor, purchased of Geo. Burke.

FREE Your Choice of any name stamped in gold on any billfold or pen purchased at The Mills Jewelers.

Mrs. William Weiss Sr. was dismissed from Mercy Hospital Sunday after being a patient there for a few days.

Roy Trudgeon is a patient at Mercy Hospital, ill with the flu and pleurisy. He is reported to be improving however.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Nash have moved to Alpena where the former is employed by the National Log Construction Company in timber operations.

The Avalanche office is in receipt of a quantity of winter road maps, just received from the state highway department. They are free as long as they last.

The post office will be open on Sunday from 8 until 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, and from 8 until 9:30 o'clock Monday forenoon for the convenience of the public.

DeLauras Welch's Persian cat is still at large. If anyone sees or hears of a black Persian kitten with mouse colored breast, would they please see DeLauras or leave word at the Avalanche office.

The Health officer reports the following new cases of scarlet fever for this week: Elma May Jensen, Onalee Smith, Francis Whipple, Lawrence Meisel, Gerald Melichar.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wolfe are rejoicing over the arrival of a son, Donald Gene, born to them Monday December 12, at Mercy Hospital. Mrs. Wolfe is the former Jean Miller.

Masses at St. Mary's church for Christmas morning (Sunday) will be at the following hours: at 6:45 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock. At 9:00 o'clock Fr. Moloney will go to Roscommon for services at St. Michael's church.

Robert LaMotte and Stanley Madsen have been doing a fine business in Christmas decorations, both in store fronts and home decorations. They are still open for orders and may be reached by calling Mrs. Stanley Stealy, phone 110.

Miss Muriel DeLaMater entertained the girls of the Just Us club Thursday evening at her home. Games were enjoyed during the evening and presents were exchanged, it being a Christmas party. The hostess served a delicious lunch.

Santa Claus made his first appearance on the main thoroughfares Monday and will be busy making the rounds the rest of the week to find how many boys and girls have been good, for at least a while back. After trying he has many followers, all trying to get in their wants before the big day.

Mrs. Robert Ziebell entertained several of her friends at her home Friday afternoon, it being her birthday anniversary. The ladies spent the afternoon visiting, until the hostess served a dainty lunch. Her daughter Mrs. John Yuill, and children of Vanderbilt came to visit her and be present at the party.

Glenn MacDonald, manager of the Bay City Times, and Mr. Millar, a Golden Gloves official of Bay City were in Grayling Wednesday evening in conference with local Golden Gloves officials. Plans for the coming tournament in Grayling will soon be announced. The interest in these events is high and a bigger and better tournament is assured this year. Definite dates have not been set.

The weather report for this morning is 11 above, that being the lowest it reached during the night. Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock the temperature was 26 degrees above. Today being the day that winter begins it would seem probable that the temperature was lower. It looks as tho we will have an "open winter" this year as predicted by one of our townsmen, one whose weather predictions never seem to go wrong.

HOLIDAY GOOD CHEER TO ALL + 1938



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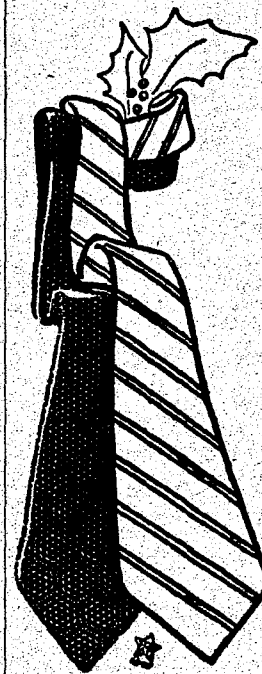
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Snow Shoes
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House Slippers and Moccasins, Heavy Sox and Dress Hosiery; Zippers, all wool or rubber; Gloves or Mittens; Riding Boots or High Tops; Felt or Sheepskin Shoes; Spats, all colors; Florsheim or Freeman Oxfords; Ski Shoes.

For Women

Dress or Comfort Slippers, Bedroom or Lounging Slippers; Admiration Hosiery, Velvet Fur Trimmed Arctics, All Rubber Zippers, Ski Shoes.

For Girls

Dress Slippers and Oxfords, House and Lounging Slippers, Velvet Fur Trimmed Gaiters, low heels, Ear Muffs, Ankle Cuffs, Ski Sox, Ski Shoes, Hosiery, Zipper and Snap Arctics.

For Boys

SHOES, Hightops and Oxfords; Heavy and Dress Sox, Gloves and Mittens, Ski Shoes and Mittens, Spats, all colors, Basket Ball Shoes.

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Grayling Michigan

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A very lovely luncheon was given by Mrs. Oscar Hanson for her Bridge club Wednesday afternoon. A winter motif of snowballs and icicles made the centerpiece for the long table at which the luncheon was served. Mrs. Esbern Hanson, and Mrs. Roy Milnes held honor scores. Mrs. Geo. Olson was a guest of the club.

Among the many Christmas greetings coming to the Avalanche office, we are especially pleased to acknowledge one from Harold Schmidt and Bwana, his "seeing eye." The latter means much to Harold in these days of sightlessness. May this Christmas bring to Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt a lot of cheer, and the new year continued good health and comfort.

Mrs. Herbert Trudeau was hostess at a lovely birthday party Monday night at her home in honor of Mrs. Gail Clise. Bunco and Pinochle were played during the evening, with Mrs. Wm. Wythe and Chas. Fehr holding high score for Bunco and Pinochle respectively. Later in the evening the hostess served a delicious lunch to the group.

DeLauras Welch celebrated her 8th birthday on December 20th, and to make this day a happy event, her mother and grandmother invited several of De's friends in to help her celebrate. Sixteen boys and girls were treated to weinies and marshmallows roasted over a roaring bonfire and there was a peanut scramble. The children danced around the Christmas tree and sang Christmas carols, and enjoyed a piece of De's birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel are happy over the arrival of a son, Alfred Theodore, born to them December 11, at the home of Mrs. Jerry Sherman.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie E. Carroll, sister of John and Michael Loughray, pioneer residents of Roscommon, were held at that place Monday morning. Rev. Fr. James Moloney officiated at the services at St. Michael's church.

Mrs. Stanley Stealy entertained her Bridge club at a Yuletide luncheon Saturday afternoon. When scores were totaled for contract following the luncheon, Mrs. Ernest Hoesli held the high score. Mrs. Harold Cliff was a guest of the club.

An alarm of fire called the City Fire department to the home of Gail Clise Saturday night. There was no one at home and a passerby had noticed flames through the window. It is not known just how the fire started, but an overstuffed chair, end table and lamp were burned, and there was much damage done by smoke. The estimated loss is figured at about \$350. The building was insured; however, there was no coverage on household furniture.

Geo. A. Collen, local distributor for the Stroh Brewing Co., Detroit, received a huge basket first of the week containing a complete Christmas dinner for a good size family. It was a small-size laundry basket, heaped to the top and then some. It contained a fine large turkey, cranberries, squash, potatoes, fruit of all kinds, a large fruit cake and everything that makes a Christ-

mas dinner complete. Some 1,800 distributors for this firm received similar baskets.

On Dec. 5 Our Gang held their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Velma Deckrow. Seventeen members responded to roll call, and three guests, Mrs. Frank Serven, Mrs. Arthur Corwin, Mrs. Viola Taylor. Each member brought a gift and drew names at the party, each receiving a present and a sack of candy from the treasurer. Kenos was enjoyed by the ladies. The penny contest was won by Julia Clise. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Carah Corwin on Dec. 29.

Wednesday was the shortest day of the year.

Health Officer Mrs. Bissonette and George Olson have made arrangements for delivery of Christmas packages to the children in homes that are in quarantine.

Mrs. Marius Hanson was hostess to her Bridge club at a lovely luncheon served on small tables, scattered through the rooms of her home, Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Harry Connine, Mrs. O. P. Schumann and Mrs. C. G. Clippert held high scores. Mrs. Chas. Moore and Mrs. Geo. Olson were guests of the club.



Hearty Greetings! Good wishes galore
For a happy Christmas and many more!

JOHNSON FURNITURE CO.
and Alfred Sorenson Funeral Home

Phones—Day: 148; Night: 52M.

1938 1938



And a Happy New Year

We express our thanks for your kind patronage during the past year.

Cash & Carry Grocery
Minnie Hartley, Propr.



CHRISTMAS CHEER

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A. S. BURROWS



Season's Greetings

and our sincere appreciation to the public for the patronage accorded us during the past year.

Hanson Cafe
Frank Bennett, Propr.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

SPIKE'S
Keg-O'-Nails
and
George "Birdie"
Tebbetts

The mean distance of the moon from the earth is only about 30 times the diameter of the earth.



WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

2 Residents Needlessly Die From TB

Tuberculosis Christmas seals funds raised in Crawford county return, in benefits, one hundred per cent to Crawford county residents. That was the point stressed this week as the Michigan Tuberculosis Association urged all who have not yet purchased a supply of 1938 Christmas seals to do so soon. There is still an opportunity for all to help in the thirty-second annual campaign to raise funds for tuberculosis fighting, it was pointed out.

"Crawford county residents have, in the past, established a record for generous response to the annual appeal for Christmas seal pennies to fight tuberculosis," declared Theodore J. Werle, executive secretary of the Association. "But generous as their contributions are, there is always an urgent need for funds which will allow the Association to increase its already extensive program against the White Plague."

Emphasizing that tuberculosis spreads, unseen, from person to person, from community to community, Mr. Werle declared that if the penny Christmas seals did nothing more than prevent a single case of tuberculosis in a year, they would be accomplishing a great work.

"Two Crawford county residents were killed last year by tuberculosis," he reported. "Each one of these deaths was a needless tragedy, for tuberculosis is a preventable disease. Still more deplorable, however, is the fact that others were unwittingly infected with the deadly tubercle bacilli. To prevent, through modern health education and case-finding, the spread of tuberculosis is the primary purpose and chief accomplishment of the tiny tuberculosis Christmas seals."

"No Christmas seal contribution is too small, or too great," Mr. Werle declared. "Every penny, every dollar becomes an essential unit of the single fund that makes possible a great humanitarian effort—the fight to stamp out tuberculosis."

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Skingley left last week for a tour of the south and western states. They are expected to return sometime in April.

Clarence Kaine, George Charlo and Ben Garland left Thursday for Detroit where they will construct a log cabin for the Roscommon Log Cabin Co.

Frank Millikin had the misfortune of being in an auto accident last week. He is still at Mercy Hospital in Grayling.

L. E. Myers has been on the sick list for the last three days. He is getting along a little better at this time.

Beaver Creek

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Christmas Sunday
Instead of Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. we will have a united service at 11:00 a. m. for old and young. Special music by the combined choirs will feature the service. The pastor will take for his subject "Bethlehem Calling Grayling."

You will enjoy the gifts and the dinner far more if you "come and worship." We are calling all citizens of Grayling to join with all the world in common worship.

H. W. Kuhlman, Pastor.

GRAYLING LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 24, 5:00 P. M.—Christmas Eve services in Danish.
Dec. 25, 11:00 a. m.—Christmas Services in English.
Dec. 26, 7:30 p. m.—At Danebod Hall: Sunday School Christmas program.
Dec. 29, 2:30 p. m.—Ladies Aid meets at home of Mrs. Chris Jensen.
Rev. C. Stockholm, Pastor.

SCHOOL NEWS

FREDERIC SCHOOL

The Frederic Rural Agricultural School will close for Christmas vacation on Friday, Dec. 23, and will reopen after the holidays Tuesday, January 3. The School Christmas program will be held Friday evening, December 23 at 8 o'clock.

The members of the Senior class wish to extend their deepest sympathy to two of their members, Marion and Floyd Wadie, who lost their father so suddenly this week.

The Frederic basketball team journeyed to Coleman last Friday where the Frederic second team lost but the varsity squad defeated Coleman's varsity by the exciting score of 28 to 29.

The members of the Home Ec. class pulled a surprise birthday party on their teacher, Miss Brooks, last Tuesday.

The Home Ec. class are making various kinds of candy this week and are going to box it for Christmas gifts.

The Senior class are examining plays to decide upon one for production. It will not be produced until in February as they intend to sponsor a carnival in January, but they feel they want to be ready to start when the time comes.

Correction

In your writeup of the auto accident which Frank Millikin and Frank Snider had Dec. 11, you stated that the State Police took the boys into town. There were no state police at the wreck while we were there, but rather the CCC ambulance took the boys to the hospital.

Let's give the CCC boys the credit. They are always ready to help in case of sickness or accident and have proven useful many times to us country people.

Wm. Millikin.

A GREAT CHRISTMAS STORY FOR YOU

"Just Another Day" is a Christmas story that everyone in the family will enjoy. It's so good that the illustrator, James Montgomery Flagg, himself, says, "It's a perfect Xmas Story." Watch for it in This Week, the color-gravure magazine with next Sunday's Detroit News.

PEACE ON EARTH. GOOD WILL TOWARD ALL MEN. 1938



CHRISTMAS JOY

We are grateful for your friendship and loyalty and want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CRIPPS CLEANERS

Let the Train Go By

Stop and let the train go by. It hardly takes a minute. Your car starts off again intact. And better still—you're in it.



and a bright and prosperous NEW YEAR

The City Dairy

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Callahan spent Friday in Saginaw.

Mrs. Karl Miller of West Branch was calling on Grayling friends Monday.

Speaking of Christmas, his wife suggested something for her neck. Why not a cake of soap?

Mrs. H. A. Bauman returned from Detroit Sunday after visiting in that city for several weeks.

Sheldon Mills, who is studying law at Albion College, visited his father, F. J. Mills, over the week end.

Claude Lydell and son Frank of Grand Rapids, spent the week end visiting at the Frank Lydell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reynolds and son Dick, of Midland, will be yuletide guests of Mrs. William McNeven.

Wesley Sammons is expected home from Lansing to spend the holidays visiting his mother, and other relatives.

Miss Ruth Benware is home from C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, to spend the holidays visiting her parents at Fletcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barney of Lewiston attended the musical program at Michelson Memorial church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Eugene Gill of Colorado Springs, Colo., is spending the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaVack.

Mrs. Vera Gilson, who spends her summers in Grayling at Lake Margrethe, is in Bradenton, Florida, for the winter months.

Miss Jerrine Peterson is home from C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Peterson, over the holidays.

Miss Marie LaMotte, who is attending C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaMotte for over the holidays.

John Austin, Jr., son of Capt. and Mrs. John Austin, is home from the U. of M., Ann Arbor, to spend the holidays with the home circle.

Benton Jorgenson and children, Betty Jean, and Wally are expected to spend the holidays visiting his mother, Mrs. Adler Jorgenson.

Mrs. Marie Hanson, Mrs. Menno Corwin, Miss Ila Welch, and Waldemar and Anker Hanson spent Thursday in Traverse City on business.

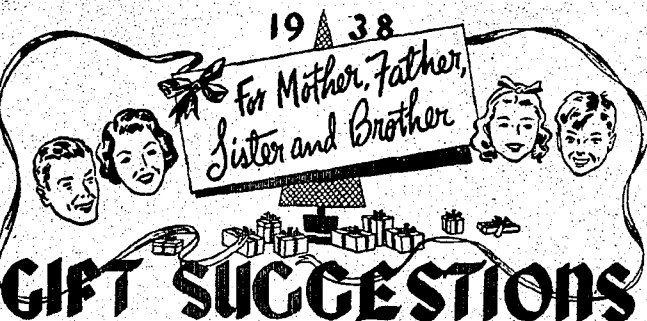
Carl Peterson Jr., studying at Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, is home for over the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson.

Miss Mary Gretchen Connine is enjoying the holiday vacation from her studies at U. of M., Ann Arbor, visiting her mother Mrs. Harry J. Connine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wheeler and Miss Lucille Wheeler, of Holly, are expected home to spend the holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Wheeler.

Miss Margaret Laage is home from C.S.T.C., Mt. Pleasant, spending the holiday vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Laage.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Perry and children and Mrs. James Perry, left Sunday for Pontiac and Detroit where they will visit until after the holidays.



GIFT SUGGESTIONS



Beautiful gift-packages—fresh from the makers.
Whitman's Sampler, \$1.50 to \$7.50
Whitman's Glo-Wyn, \$1.50 & \$3.00
Whitman's Fairbill, 50c to \$5.00
Whitman's Juvenile candies, 5c up

Cameras Kodaks Toilet Sets

—a store full of fine things from which to make gift selections, for both men and women.

The DAWSON Store

Meet Your Friends at Our Fountain Lunch.



A MESSAGE OF GOOD WILL and BEST WISHES FOR YOUR PROSPERITY and Happiness in the New Year.

Grayling Lumber & Supply Co.
Grayling Fuel Co.



Deck the halls with boughs of holly

We appreciate the loyalty that has been accorded us the past year, and extend best wishes for a Happy New Year.

GRAYLING LAUNDRY
We Wash Everything But the Baby



A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Peace On Earth
1938

PLAZA GRILL
Walthers & Stanley, Proprs.



FOR CHRISTMAS

The Spirit of the season brings to us renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends.

GRAYLING BAKERY Chas. Melichar